

## WHAT THE NEW MINING LAW MEANS

The last legislature passed a new mining law, or rather, collected and revised the old laws in effect in Oklahoma. Among other provisions of the new law is one prohibiting miners from shooting off the solid and that the coal, before it is shot shall be undercut. These provisions of the new law are contained in Section 18 of the law and a petition has been filed with the state asking that this section shall be submitted to the voters of the state August 5th, for adoption or rejection.

The advocates of the law assert that its passage will serve to prevent the vast waste of human life in the coal mines and that it will also result in eventually cheapening the price of coal to the consumers of the state. Both these results are earnestly to be wished and every voter should post himself on the arguments urged in support of these claims.

To a person unfamiliar with the mining region it seems incredible that so many people should lose their lives every year in the production of a product that is so absolutely essential to the people of Oklahoma. In the nation 25,000 miners lay down their lives every year that the people shall have coal with which to keep themselves from freezing and that keeps the various manufacturing industries moving. That a few of these accidents are of that sort which seem unavoidable is certain. But the greatest part of these wastes of human life are the result of carelessness and of laws which permit men to take chances with their own lives and the lives of their fellow workmen. This view is borne out by reports of Oklahoma's own mining inspectors.

It is intended by the new law to go a long way toward preventing this waste of human life.

That is why every consumer of coal in Oklahoma should vote NO on Question No. 47. You owe it to yourself and to your state and to the thousands of innocent workmen who go down in the coal mines for you. They are at the mercy of men who are careless, who are reckless of their own and others' lives and it seems that nothing but the stern hand of the law will enable the miners to enforce proper regulations against their reckless brethren. Let's help them by law.

Coal costs \$2.22 at the mine in Oklahoma. It costs \$1.13 in Indiana. Coal costs the people of Oklahoma about \$8.00 a ton, while it costs but \$3.00 a ton in Indiana. The new mining law will partially stop this. Vote NO on the effort to repeal this good law.

The new mining law will cause some additional expense to the millionaire mine operators, but it will safeguard the lives of the men and will aid in bringing the price of coal down. Vote NO when you are asked to repeal this good law.

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